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SUBJECT: TURKISH BASE NEGOTIATIONS: REVISED GOT ARTICLE ON
MANNING AND TRAINING

REF: ANKARA 9348 DTG 231203Z DEC 75

1. SUMMARY: AT JANUARY 5 WORKING GROUP SESSION, GOT
TABLED NEW LANGUAGE FOR ARTICLE VI ON MANNING AND TRAIN-
ING WHICH ATTEMPTS TO MEET SOME OF U.S. TEAM'S

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OBJECTIONS TO PREVIOUS TURKISH DRAFT. NEW TURKISH
DRAFT AND U.S. TEAM COMMENTS FOLLOW. END SUMMARY.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

ARTICLE VI

1. THE AGREED TECHNICAL OPERATIONS OF THE
AUTHORIZED INSTALLATIONS AND RELATED TECHNICAL, LOGISTICS,
SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES SHALL
BE CARRIED OUT JOINTLY BY TURKISH AND UNITED STATES
PERSONNEL. FOR THIS PURPOSE, TURKISH PERSONNEL SHALL
BE ASSIGNED BY THE TURKISH AUTHORITIES, UP TO THE LEVEL
OF FIFTY PERCENT OF THE TOTAL STRENGTH AT EACH INSTAL-
LATION.

2. THE MANNING TABLES OF THE INSTALLATIONS
AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF MANPOWER SPACES FOR ASSIGNMENT
BY EACH PARTY SHALL BE DETERMINED JOINTLY, BY TAKING
INTO ACCOUNT TO THE POSSIBLE EXTENT STANDARD DOCUMENTS
SPECIFYING CURRENT TECHNICAL SPECIALTY AND SKILL REQUIRE-
MENTS.

TURKISH PERSONNEL ABOVE 50 PERCENT OF SUCH
MANNING REQUIREMENTS MAY BE ASSIGNED TO SPECIFIC
INSTALLATIONS BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
PARTIES.

3. IN THE EVENT THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF TURKEY
ELECTS NOT TO MAN FULLY AT THE 50 PERCENT LEVEL MEN-
TIONED IN PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS ARTICLE, UNITED STATES
PERSONNEL SHALL BE ASSIGNED BY THE APPROPRIATE UNITED
STATES AUTHORITIES IN ORDER TO FILL ANY VACANCIES
THUS CREATED, WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE TURKISH BASIC
RIGHT OF PARTICIPATION. ANY COMTEMPLATED SUBSEQUENT
CHANGE IN MANNING BY TURKISH PRSONNEL SHALL BE
COMMUNICATED TO THE APPROPRIATE UNITED STATES AUTH-
ORITIES ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE.

4. IN FURTHERANC OF THE TURKISH PARTICIPATION
OBJECTIVE REFERRED TO IN THIS ARTICLE, NEEDED TRAIN-
ING RELATED TO THE TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES OF THE INSTAL-
LATIONS, INCLUDING TRAINING IN THE UNITED STATES,
SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED
STATES, TO TURKISH PERSONNEL ASSIGNED OR TO BE
ASSIGNED TO THE INSTALLATIONS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH
MUTUALLY AGREED PROGRAMS. THE TRAINING COSTS SHALL
BE BORNE BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

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END TEXT.

3. ASULA INDICATED THAT CHANGES IN PARAGRAPHS 2 AND
4 OF THEIR EARLIER DRAFT WERE DESIGNED TO MEET SOME OF
U.S. TEAM'S OBJECTIONS TO LANGUAGE TABLED AT DECEMBER
22 SESSION (ANKARA 9348).

A. U.S. TEAM POINTED OUT THAT "MANNING TABLES"
MENTIONED IN PARA 2 OF TURKISH DRAFT WERE IDENTICAL TO

"STANDARD DOCUMENTS" MENTIONED IN SAME PARAGRAPH AND STRESSED THAT USG DID NOT WISH TO UNDERTAKE ENGAGEMENT TO NEGOTIATE NEW MANNING TABLES FOR ALL INSTALLATIONS. ASULA THEN RELUCTANTLY AGREED TO CONSIDER DROPPING THE CLAUSE "THE MANNING TABLES OF THE INSTALLATIONS AND" FROM SECOND PARAGRAPH OF HIS DRAFT. HE ASKED, HOWEVER, THAT THE U.S. TEAM NOT ASK HIM TO "SURRENDER COMPLETELY" AND NOTED THAT HE COULD NOT ACCEPT LANGUAGE WHICH MADE IT APPEAR THAT TURKISH PERSONNEL WOULD BE ASSIGNED TO THE INSTALLATIONS SOLELY ACCORDING TO STANDARD U.S. DOCUMENTS.

B. U.S. TEAM WELCOMED TURKS DRIPPING "ANY" AS MODIFIER TO TRAINING WHICH U.S. IS TO PROVIDE BUT NOTED THAT MODIFIER "NEEDED" WHICH REPLACED "REQUIRED" CONTINUED TO SUGGEST THAT TURKS MIGHT UNILATERALLY ESTABLISH TRAINING LEVELS. ASULA ARGUED THAT TRAINING WAS SPECIFICALLY LIMITED TO TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES AND WAS TIED TO MANNING OBJECTIVES WHICH WOULD BE MUTUALLY AGREED. U.S. TEAM NOTED AGAIN THAT ANY SENTENCE SPECIFYING COSTS TO BE BORNE BY USG WOULD HAVE TO INCLUDE PHRASE "SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS" OR SIMILAR CAVEAT. ASULA RESPONDED THAT TURKS MIGHT ACCEPT CROSS REFERENCE HERE TO ARTICLE ON ASSISTANCE BUT WISHED FIRST TO SEE FINAL VERSION OF LATTER.

4. REQUEST WASHINGTON'S VIEWS ON ACCEPTABILITY OF NEW TURKISH DRAFT ON MANNING AND TRAINING IF:

A. THE FIRST SENTENCE OF PARAGRAPH ONE IS AMENDED TO READ, "THE AGREED TECHNICAL OPERATIONS AND RELATED MAINTENANCE SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES OF THE AUTHORIZED INSTALLATIONS SHALL BE CARRIED OUT JOINTLY BY TURKISH AND UNITED STATES PERSONNEL."

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B. THE WORDS "THE MANNING TABLES OF THE INSTALLATIONS AND" ARE OMITTED FROM THE FIRST SENTENCE OF THE SECOND PARAGRAPH; AND

C. AN APPROPRIATE CAVEAT REGARDING FUNDING IS INCLUDED.
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